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FM AMEMBASSY ATHENS

TO SECSTATE WASHDC 6017

INFO AMEMBASSY PARIS

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AMEMBASSY JIDDA

/AMCONSUL THESSALONIKI 2179

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SUBJ: JOINT STATE-COMMERCE EVALUATION OF COMMERCIAL ACTIVITIES

REF A. STATE 194263, B. ATHENS 7478

1. RESERVATIONS CONFIRMED FOR PAULY, FITZGERALD AND THOMAS
AT ATHENAIS HOTEL NEAR EMBASSY. EMBASSY WILL MEET TEAM
ON ARRIVAL ON SEPTEMBER 4.

2. STRONGLY RECOMMEND EVALUATION INCLUDE VISIT TO CPF EXHIBIT
AT THESSALONIKI INTERNATIONAL FAIR WHICH IS MAJOR 1976 EMBASSY
PROMOTION. U.S. BICENTENNIAL PAVILION WILL COVER 1300 SQUARE
METER INDOOR SPACE AND 800 METER OUTDOORS WITH TOTAL 70-80
EXHIBITORS. FAIR AUTHORITIES HAVE DESIGNATED TUESDAY,
SEPTEMBER 7 AS "AMERICA DAY" AND AMBASSADOR, ACCOMPANIED BY
ECON/COMMERCIAL OFFICERS AND SELECTED COUNTRY TEAM MEMBERS,
WILL TRAVEL TO THESSALONIKI TO HOST LARGE ON SITE RECEPTION
FOR GOG OFFICIALS, BUSINESS COMMUNITY, AND EXHIBTING
FIRMS. TRAVEL TO THESSALONIKI BY TEAM WOULD BE BY
COMMERCIAL FLIGHT OR VIA MILITARY AIRCRAFT DEPARTING
APPROXIMATELY 1500 SEPTEMBER 7 WITH OPTIONAL RETURN
LATE SAME DAY OR FOLLOWING MORNING.

3. IF VISIT TO THESSALONIKI ACCEPTABLE, EMBASSY WOULD
PROPOSE TO NAME TEAM AS OFFICIAL DELEGATION TO INTER-
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NATIONAL FAIR. DESIGNATION WOULD INVOLVE NO ADDITIONAL

REQUIREMENTS AND WOULD GENERATE ADDED PUBLICITY AND FAVORABLE ATTENTION TO U.S. PAVILION. PLEASE ADVISE.

4. ASSUME THAT EVALUATION WILL ALSO COVER OPERATIONS OF REGIONAL TRADE DEVELOPMENT OFFICE (RTDO) WHICH IS TEMPORARILY LOCATED IN ATHENS FROM AMEMBASSY BEIRUT. KUBISCH

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